## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC COMMENT

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) seek written and oral comments from interested persons on the development of a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Implementation Plan for Mossy Creek, Long Glade Run and Naked Creek in Augusta and Rockingham Counties. Mossy Creek and Long Glade Run were originally listed on the 1996 303(d) TMDL Priority List and Report as impaired, with Naked Creek joining them in 1998, due to violations of the State's water quality standard for bacteria. In 1998, Mossy Creek was also listed due to a benthic or aquatic life impairment. TMDLs for bacteria in all three creeks and one for sediment in Mossy Creek were developed to address the impairments in these streams. These TMDLs were approved by EPA on July 14, 2004 and May 21, 2002 respectively, and are available on DEQ's website at: <a href="http://gisweb.deq.virginia.gov/tmdlapp/tmdl\_report\_search.cfm">http://gisweb.deq.virginia.gov/tmdlapp/tmdl\_report\_search.cfm</a>.

§62.1-44.19:7.C of the Code of Virginia requires the development of an Implementation Plan (IP) for approved TMDLs. The IP should provide measurable goals and the date of expected achievement of water quality objectives. The IP should also include the corrective actions needed and their associated costs, benefits, and environmental impacts.

DEQ and DCR will hold a final public meeting on **Thursday**, **June 18**, **2009**, **at 7:00 p.m**. to inform the public of the IP development and to solicit comments on the draft document. The meeting will be held in the cafeteria of North River Elementary School in Mt. Solon.

The draft Implementation Plan will be available for review on the web no later than June 15, 2009at <a href="http://www.deq.virginia.gov/tmdl/iprpts.html">http://www.deq.virginia.gov/tmdl/iprpts.html</a>. The public comment period for this final public meeting will end on **Wednesday**, **July 15, 2009**. Questions or information requests should be addressed to Tara Sieber, DEQ, (540) 574-7870. Written comments should include the name, address, and

telephone number of the person submitting the comments and should be sent to Tara Sieber,
Department of Environmental Quality, PO Box 3000, Harrisonburg, VA 22801, telephone (540) 574-7870, fax (540) 574-7878, or e-mail tara.sieber@deq.virginia.gov.